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Suspects in "D.J. Keys" murder draw combined sentences of 723 years

Final two suspects each sentenced today to serve 140 years

(Indianapolis, Ind.) Marion County Prosecutor Terry Curry announced that six suspects have been convicted and sentenced to a combined 723 years in connection with the November 15, 2012, murder of Thomas Keys and attempt murder of Marvin Finney II. Dominique Hamler and Dontee Robinson, the final suspects to be tried, were found guilty by a jury on May 15, 2014, for their involvement in the deadly incident at a music studio near E. 46th Street and N. Keystone Ave. Hamler and Robinson were each sentenced today to serve 140 years in the Indiana Department of Corrections.

Known as "DJ Keys," Thomas Keys was found shot to death in the "One Stop Media" studio, having sustained multiple gunshot wounds. His wrists, ankles and neck were wrapped with zip ties, and his head and body were wrapped with duct tape.

Marvin Finney II survived the shooting, having sustained gunshot wounds in both wrists. Finney reported that he "played dead" and escaped the music studio after the suspects left the scene. Finney had also been bound with zip ties and duct tape.

"This was a lengthy and complex case, ultimately with six suspects held responsible for their role in the murder of Thomas Keys and attempted murder of Marvin Finney II," Prosecutor Terry Curry commented after the final jury verdict in May. "The successful convictions in this case exemplify the commitment of our deputy prosecutors and the entire office, as well as IMPD homicide investigators, to seek justice for victims of crime in our community."

The six suspects convicted in the crimes:

- Dominique Hamler was convicted by a jury on May 2014 of Murder, Attempted Murder (A Felony), Robbery (A Felony) and Criminal Confinement (B Felony). He was sentenced to 140 years.
- Dontee Robinson was convicted by a jury on May 2014 of Murder, Attempted Murder (A Felony), Robbery (A Felony) and Criminal Confinement (B Felony). He was sentenced to 140 years.
- Nathaniel Armstrong was convicted by a jury on October 2013 of Murder, Kidnapping (A Felony), and Attempt Murder (A Felony). Prosecutors filed a Criminal Gang sentence enhancement which added 65 years to his sentence. He was sentenced to a total of 175 years.

- James McDuffy was convicted by a jury in October 2013 of Murder, Attempt Murder (A Felony), Kidnapping (A Felony), Robbery (A Felony), Criminal Confinement (B Felony), Conspiracy to Commit Kidnapping (A Felony), and Conspiracy to Commit Criminal Confinement (B Felony). Prosecutors requested a Habitual Offender sentence enhancement, and he was sentenced to a total of 185 years.
- Carlton Hart was convicted of Murder, Criminal Confinement (B Felony), and Conspiracy to Commit Criminal Confinement (B Felony). He was sentenced to 65 years.
- Darin Jackson was convicted by a jury in February 2014 of Conspiracy to Commit Criminal Confinement (B Felony). He was sentenced to 18 years.